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SUBJECT: UPDATE ON RESPONSE TO GOP MILITARY REQUESTS

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Classified By: Anne W. Patterson, for reasons ...1. (S) Summary and action request. Working with USCENTCOM and DOD, Post has been responding to requests for information on the status of the following items:  
HELICOPTERS: MI-17  
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12. (C) The Pakistan Army requested either the lease or purchase of 10-12 MI-17 helicopters, as there is no funding available in the GOP budget for the purchase of these aircraft.  
HELICOPTERS: COBRAS  
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13. (C) The PAAC claims that currently 16 of 37 Cobra helicopters it owns are operational. It claims almost all are airworthy but the 21 non-operational helicopters are being repaired.  
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14. (C) Post requests that the overhaul of 8 remaining Cobras in the U.S. be expedited. The \$50 million of Foreign Military Funds (FMF) for the overhaul of these aircraft is being requested.  
MUNITIONS  
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15. (C) The Pakistani Army signed the Letter of Offer and Acceptance for 112,000 rounds of 20mm Cobra ammo to be paid for with FMF. Our estimate of the cost of this ammunition is \$1.5 million.  
SPECIAL SERVICES GROUP (SSG)  
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16. (C) Though the request is still informal, we are attempting to locate the items listed below that have been identified by the Special Services Group (SSG).  
- 700,000 rounds (mixed types) of sniper ammo  
- 2000 helmets  
- 1500 units of body armor  
- An undetermined quantity of Meals Ready to Eat (MREs).  
BRIDGES  
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17. (C) The Pakistan Army has requested 14 Mabey-Johnson bridges.  
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bridges. Post request that funding options for purchasing Mabey-Johnson bridges be identified. These bridges could prove invaluable in the event of a conflict with India.

18. (C) We request that the Department work with the DOD and other relevant agencies to ensure that the items listed above can be provided in a timely manner.  
ISR SUPPORT  
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19. (S) We have created Intelligence Fusion cells with embedded U.S. Special Forces with both SSG and Frontier Corps (Bala Hisar, Peshawar) to monitor the situation in the region.

10. (S) The Pakistani military has no current requests for DOD ISR platforms tasked to support their ongoing combat operations.

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